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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, PK

SUBJ: PAKISTAN INTERNAL SITUATION: COLLAPSE OF UNITED  
DEMOCRATIC FRONT CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE CAMPAIGN

1. GOVERNING BODY OF JAMAAT-I-ISLAMI DECIDED  
SEPTEMBER 26 THAT JAMAAT WOULD REJECT USE OF ANY EXTRA-  
CONSTITUTIONAL MEASURES IN OPPOSING BHUTTO GOVERNMENT.  
BY DOING SO, JAMAAT WENT ON RECORD TO DISASSOCIATE ITSELF  
FROM ILL-TIMED "CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE" CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED BY  
MULTI-PARTY OPPOSITION UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT AUGUST 24  
(ISLAMABAD 7273). JAMAAT ACTION WAS NOT UNEXPECTED  
GIVEN AMBIVALENT POSITION OF JAMAAT, PARTICULARLY IN  
PUNJAB, DURING DISOBEDIENCE MOVEMENT WHEN JAMAAT DEVOTED  
ITS EFFORTS ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY TO FLOOD RELIEF.

2. JAMAAT ACTION LED UDF IN SIND TO ANNOUNCE TWO DAYS  
LATER THAT MOVEMENT IN THAT PROVINCE HAD BEEN "SUSPENDED"  
FOR MONTH OF RAMAZAN. ALTHOUGH NO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT HAS  
BEEN MADE, APPEARS UDF ACTIVITIES IN PUNJAB AND NWFP ALSO  
SUSPENDED. PRESS REPORTS SUGGEST THAT OTHER COMPONENTS OF  
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UDF ARE IRRITATED WITH JAMAAT LEADERSHIP FOR BREAKING

SOLIDARITY OF FRONT.

3. COMMENT: UDF ACTION CAMPAIGN TO COURT ARREST WAS ILL-CONCEIVED AND EXCEEDINGLY ILL-TIMED GIVEN FLOOD AND POST-FLOOD PROBLEMS THROUGHOUT MUCH OF PUNJAB AND SIND. IN OUR VIEW, JAMAAT DEMONSTRATED POLITICAL WISDOM SUPERIOR TO OTHER ELEMENTS IN UDF BY CONCENTRATING ITS ATTENTION AND ITS WORKERS ON FLOOD RELIEF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING FUND RAISING DRIVES (JAMAAT CLAIMS TO HAVE COLLECTED ABOUT THREE MILLION DOLLARS IN CASH OR GOODS). EVIDENTLY RECENT DECISIONS BY JAMAAT AND SIND UDF SPELL END OF THIS CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE CAMPAIGN ALTHOUGH UDF MAY REVIVE TACTIC FOR USE AGAINST BHUTTO AT ANOTHER, MORE PROPITIOUS TIME. JAMAAT'S ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO STICK TO CONSTITUTIONAL MEANS TO BATTLE BHUTTO GOVERNMENT COULD PROTEND MORE SIGNIFICANT AND LASTING SPLIT OVER TACTICS WITHIN UDF.  
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